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Subject:

INFORMATION RELATED TO IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS

ENFORCEMENT'S ACCESS TO INDIVIDUALS UNDER THE

SUPERVISION OF THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT IN 2017

In accordance with the TRUTH Act, this is to provide your Board with information about Immigration and Customs Enforcement's ("ICE") access to individuals under the supervision of the Probation Department during 2017.

I. Background

On December 18, 2018, your Board will hold a community forum as required by the TRUTH Act (Government Code sections 7283 and 7283.1(d)) to provide information to the public and receive public comment on the County's law enforcement agencies' providing ICE access to individuals for the purposes of civil immigration enforcement during 2017. It is our understanding that the Sheriff's Department will be providing your Board and the public with such information at the community forum. Like the Sheriff's Department, the Probation Department is also a "law enforcement agency" subject to the TRUTH Act in that it "operates juvenile detention facilities or maintains custody of individuals in juvenile detention facilities; or monitors compliance with probation or parole conditions." (Gov't Code § 7283(e)).

This letter summarizes data regarding the number and demographic characteristics of individuals to whom the Probation Department ("Department") provided ICE access, the date ICE access was provided, and the means through which ICE access was provided.

II. ICE Access to Individuals

Last year, the Department received twenty-five inquiries from ICE agents concerning individuals under the Department's supervision for the purposes of civil immigration enforcement. The Department provided information on eight of the twenty-five inquiries received. Specifically, the ICE agents requested the probationers' address and telephone information, and as to two of the eight individuals, the next area-office reportin date. The Department only provided contact information for those eight individuals, as recorded on the Department's Adult Probation System. The release of contact information was conducted prior to the County's adopted countywide policy pertaining to "Limiting Access to County Sensitive Locations by Law Enforcement Officers Engaged in Immigration Enforcement or Immigration Investigative Activities" ("Sensitive Locations Policy", October 17, 2017). Additionally, those eight individuals had criminal histories containing qualifying serious/violent felony convictions under California Senate Bill 54 (i.e., the TRUST Act) and in general had a history of non-compliance; history of violence; serious criminal history; or bench warrant status.

The following chart lists each probationer's basic demographic information, the date of ICE's request, the means by which the Department provided ICE information, and the probationer's qualifying offense(s) under the TRUST Act.

Gender/Age	Date of Request	Date ICE Access Provided	Means ICE Access was Provided	SB 54 Qualified	Criminal History
Male, age 41	3/7/2017	3/08/207	Telephone	Yes	PC 487(a)
Male, age 25	3/14/2017	3/15/2017	Telephone	Yes	PC 484(a)/ PC 490.2(a); PC 487(a)
Male, age 34	4/6/2017	4/6/2017	Telephone	Yes	PC 647.6(a)
Male, age 55	4/12/2017	4/13/2017	Telephone	Yes	HS 11378
Male, age 29	4/24/2017	4/24/2017	Telephone	Yes	PC 288(c)(1)
Male, age 38	5/18/2017	5/19/2017	Telephone	Yes	PC 245(a)(1); PC 29900(a)(1)
Male, age 42	6/14/2017	6/14/2017	Telephone	Yes	PC 245(a)(4)
Male, age 33	6/28/2017	6/28/2017	Telephone	Yes	HS 11378; HS 11359

Note: The Department did not assist ICE in any form of apprehension efforts. Furthermore, ICE has no presence in the Department's juvenile facilities nor juvenile field services operations.

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Please contact me if you have any questions or require additional information, or your staff may contact Chief Deputy Reaver E. Bingham, Adult Services, at (562) 940-2513.

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